

THE POLICE CORPS WEEKLY

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RECRUIT PROFILE

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CRIME SCENE MANAGEMENT & THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM

BY: RECRUIT LANGE

Part of the training in week 8 consisted of instruction on crime scene management and incident command systems. Sgt. Page of the Eau Claire Police Department was the instructor for this portion of our training.

Sgt. Page focused on crime scene management for the first part of our instruction. The class learned that the first responding officer to a scene is in charge of the scene and takes initial action. As the first responding officer, two of the most important aspects of crime

scene management are securing the scene and gathering the evidence. The recruits were given

the opportunity to see actual photos of crime scenes.

Next, we covered Incident Command Systems. The class was initially given a background explanation of ICS. ICS is used by a variety of profes-



Recruits participate in a role-playing activity

sionals and the key is working together when the need arises. After the instruction, the recruits each took a turn in the hot seat while playing the role of the incident commander for a complex multi-occurrence crisis.

AGENCY PROFILE: OSHKOSH POLICE DEPT.

BY: RECRUIT LECHER

The Oshkosh Police Department has a mission to "safeguard the lives, property, and rights of all persons within the City of Oshkosh in an equitable and non-discriminatory manner." The department is able to accomplish this mission with a complement of 98 officers. The Oshkosh

PD is dedicated to community policing, being responsive to citizens' ideas, and issues. Chief Erickson has a major role in the outlook of community policing for Oshkosh PD. The idea of community policing is very important for the department since the city of Oshkosh now contains over 65,000 citizens. Oshkosh is a

city that is growing incredibly fast, and it is very exciting to see a department adjust so well and so fast with the changing circumstances. Recruit Lecher is very excited to be sponsored by Oshkosh PD, and has great hopes to work in the city.



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE BY: RECRUIT WALLACE

Inspector Veith and Inspector Floyd instructed the EMS portion recruit training this week. Throughout their law enforcement careers, recruits will undoubtedly encounter a situation where they will need to possess the knowledge and skills necessary for life saving techniques on an injured person.

Inspector Veith and Inspector Floyd have both encountered a number of situations where they have been required to perform CPR techniques. They stressed to recruits that proper knowledge and application of CPR techniques can mean the difference between life and death.

Recruits were first instructed on the importance

of barriers when giving CPR to a person in need. Barriers include pocket masks and bags, which allow rescuers to give CPR while protecting themselves from potential hazards, such as disease from mouth-to-mouth contact.

While the instructors stressed that these tools should be utilized if they are available, they also noted that if they are not available, it is still essential to perform CPR. With this in mind, the instructors taught all methods of CPR using masks, bags, and mouth-to-mouth.

In order to teach recruits proper CPR techniques for adults, children, and infants, the instructors brought training dummies of each size. Recruits watched video segments that demonstrated the



Recruit Cato performs chest compressions on dummy

proper CPR techniques and then applied what they had observed under the close supervision of the instructors.

At the end of the training session, all recruits felt comfortable with their ability to use CPR. Competency in this area of training may allow recruits to save a life when they encounter a situation that calls for CPR.

“Application of CPR techniques can mean the difference between life and death.”

RECRUITS PERFORM MID-TERM P.T. TESTING BY: RECRUIT OPPERMAN

Front leaning rest position, Move! Ahhh the beginning of morning physical training. Every morning, the recruits of the Police Corps rise at 4:30 a.m. to begin physical training for the day. This week recruits took their midterm P.T. test. This test is required to analyze improvements in recruits physical fitness over the past eight

weeks. They are tested on their ability to do as many push-ups as they can, as many sit-ups as they can in one minute, and on their ability to run a mile and a half. They also have to do a one repetition maximum bench press and one repetition maximum leg press. Each recruit has a set standard that they must reach by the end of the academy, and

should be at the half way point. Each of the recruits performed very well on the midterm improving in at least one to two areas. PT sets the standards for officers and could mean the difference between life and death, or you or a loved one. This is why this training is a very important aspect of the Police Corps Program.

RECRUITS REPEL FOR A SECOND TIME

BY: RECRUIT SALZMAN

On Friday morning, the recruits once again ventured out to the Airborne Hightower, which is located on the base of Fort Mc Coy. Each recruit was nervous, and rightfully so. We all knew that today was the day we were going to move from the small 30-foot tower up to the biggest tower they have on base, which is 90 feet high.

The recruits started off by practicing on the 30-foot tower. We first went down on the

wall side, and then stepped it up and rappelled down the side of the tower where there is no wall. It was very scary, but each recruit did a great job. After we all felt relatively comfortable on the small tower, Mr. Buck and Mr. Pressler moved us up to the high tower. We again began on the wall side of the tower with each recruit doing an awesome job. After that, we moved to the side where there is no wall, and rappelled down the tower.

All of the recruits



Recruit Kraeger fearlessly repels down

were nervous at the beginning, but after all was said and done you could see a sense of accomplishment on every recruit's face. It was definitely a confidence booster, and it brought the team even closer together.

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POLICE CORPS WEEK 8: TAKING A GLANCE BACK. . . .

